## Camden Conservation Commission Minutes October 27, 2010, Washington Street Conference Room

Present: Karin Rector, Chair; Doug Johnson, Vice Chair pro tem; Carla Ferguson; Bob Gassett

The minutes of August 25 were accepted unanimously as written. Mail distributed.

Letters from Kit Parker of the Historic Resources Committee and Roberta Smith, town manager, re: need to increase tree budget. CCC will make a presentation before the Budget Committee suggesting \$10,000 per year as per Tree City USA recommendations. (\$2 per capita x 5,000 Camden population = \$10,000). Doug also mentioned a Project Canopy grant as possibility. Rockland recently received one for Main St. tree maintenance.

Megunticook Riverwalk Coalition applying for a grant for the pathway. Karin's draft letter of CCC support was improved and approved to send to Geoff Scott of the Pathway Committee.

The annual right of way report was prepared and read by Karin. It will be sent to Roberta, the select board, Jeff Kuller, and Rick Siebel.

Doug read a letter that Nancy Caudle-Johnson had sent to the paper correcting information from the town's economic development director. Note that the sale of the Tannery property **would** require a referendum vote and that the tannery property is not **on** the water. The town should be accurate in its efforts to market the property.

Bob reported that invasive species removal at the Megunticook Riverwalk site has been very successful. The work days have now concluded for the season. Coastal Mountains Land Trust has approved the pathway layout.

The CCC needs to be thinking about the three empty seats on the Commission and what approach to take. The town statute states that we are to have seven members. Should the town revise that? We will probably need to address the select board regarding the matter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m. All agreed that we would try to schedule a November/December meeting for Dec. 8 instead of the last Wed.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Johnson, Vice Chair/Karin Rector, Chair in lieu of an elected secretary